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Sir:

It is hereby requested that the period for responding to the outstanding Office Action be extended two months from December 10, 2009 to February 12, 2010 (the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office being closed February 8-11, 2010 due to a snow emergency) by the filing of this Petition and fee payment.

Authorization to charge the official fees for this filing is given in the accompanying transmittal letter.

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